(b) Information is given in the Statement (See below).

(c) Does not arise.

Statement

Funds released/sanctioned and utilized in the State of Chhattisgarh during last three years is as under

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No	Schemes	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04	
		Released	Utilization	Released	Utilization	Released	Utilization
1.	Boys/Girls Hostel	10.00	Utilized	-	-	-	-
2.	Establishment of Ashram Schools in TSP Areas	400.00	Utilized	-	-	-	-
3.	Post Matric Scholarships for STs	-	-	-	-	-	-
4.	Research and Training-Grant-in-aid to TRIs	-	-	32.07	Utilized	-	-
5.	Coaching and Allied	-	-	-	-	-	-
6.	Assistance to State Scheduled Tribes Development Corporations (STDCs)	-	-	-	-	-	-

Welfare of Tribals in NER

741. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any comprehensive programme for the welfare of tribals in the country particularly in the NER;

(b) if ,so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the effective measures being taken by government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PR. KYNDIAH): (a) to (d) The Ministry of tribal Affairs implements several Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored Schemes/Programmes for the socio-economic development

of tribal people in the country, including the North Eastern region. The list of Schemes/Programmes of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, being implemented in the country, including the North Eastern Region, is given in the Statement. Refer to the Statement appended to the answer of unstarred Question No. 739.

Development of Towns

†742. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under the National Urban Renewal Mission a scheme has been chalked out by Government for development of towns;

(b) if so, the extent of population of the towns to be developed under this Mission;

(c) the number of towns which would be developed under this plan and the time taken for such developments;

(d) the regions planned to be developed under this Mission; and

(e) the estimated expenditure for implementation of the entire plan?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (e) There is proposal to establish National Urban Renewal Mission in order to provide reform linked Central assistance to select cities for infrastructural development. Details of the Mission have not been finalised.

Unification of Centrally Sponsored Schemes

743. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:

DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to bring the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of infrastructure development in mega cities and Integrated Development of Small and Medium Town scheme under one umbrella;

(b) if so, whether the unified schemes would push forward reforms agenda, and the State Governments desirous of accessing funds under scheme have to enter into a memorandum of agreement with the centre;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.